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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed May 22, 2003 and the Advisory action faxed to Applicant's attorney on March 29, 2004, Applicant attaches a Petition for Extension of Time and requests entry of the following amendments to reduce the issues on appeal.

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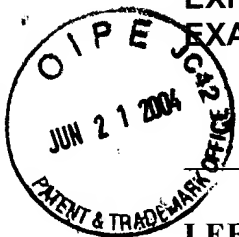
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**SUBMISSION OF COPY OF PREVIOUSLY FILED
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

Sir:

In response to an Advisory action faxed to the undersigned on March 29, 2004, Applicants filed the attached Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116 on March 31, 2004. The listing of the claims uses the phrase "Previously presented" as required by the rules. A fax receipt from the USPTO is also enclosed. An Appeal Brief on April 5, 2004.

Applicant has received an Advisory action with a cover page indicating a mailing address of June 9, 2004. The Advisory action itself has a mailing date of April 2, 2004. The Advisory action is a duplicate of an Advisory action received by the undersigned by fax on March 29, 2004 since the Advisory action erroneously states that "Previously amended" is used in the Amendment when the phrase is not used in the Amendment filed on March 31.

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Appl. No. **09 836 158**

Paper dated June 14, 2004

Reply to Office action mailed June 9, 2004

It appears that the Examiner did not receive the Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116 filed on March 31, 2004 since the Advisory action erroneously states that the phrase "Previously amended" is used in the Amendment. This phrase and the phrase "currently amended" are not used in the Amendment filed on March 31, 2004.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the Amendment filed on March 31, 2004 since it does not raise any new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. The Amendment of March 31 uses the proper terminology "Previously presented" in the listing of the claims.

The amendment places the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal. Claim 21 is canceled. Dependent claim 15 is canceled and replaced with an new dependent claim with a different claim number to eliminate a formal objection made by the Examiner regarding the sequence of numbering of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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